

### Journey through Colossians

8. Making Your Relationships Work Colossians 3:18 – 4:1

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- 3. Both husbands and wives are to submit to the Lord and to each other (Ephesians 5:21)

Submit: "to arrange one's self under a delegated authority"

Love (Agape): based on commitment, not emotions or romance

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#### Verse 21:

- 4 things that can lead a child to discouragement.
- 1. Ignore them
- 2. Indulge them
- 3. Insult them
- 4. Intimidate them

(Ray Stedman)

### A Parent's Inventory:

- Do I believe that my children are not mine but rather a gift from God entrusted to me?
- 2. Am I partnering with God to enable my children to become the men and women He intends them to be?
- 3. Do they know how delighted and excited I am about them? Do they feel like I'm on their side?
- 4. Am I living under the leadership of Christ in my life so that my children will have a model to follow?
- 5. Am I calling my children to obedience and providing corrective guidance and discipline that is both firm and fair?

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- 3. There are similar principles to our workplaces



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- 4. Work for a "raise" in the next life